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REAL-TIME ALERT MECHANISM FOR MONITORING AND CONTROLLING FIELD ASSETS VIA WIRELESS AND INTERNET TECHNOLOGIES

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION REQUEST

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 17, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Amendments to Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.